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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of fraudulent universities, colleges and schools are reportedly operating in the country and receiving grants and aid from the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of such institutions which have closed down during the last three years, State-wise;

(d) whether some schools and colleges which are not operational are still receiving aids from the Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(f) whether the Government proposes to bring a legislation to check such fraudulent institutes;

(g) if so, the details thereof; and

(h) the time by which the legislation is likely to be introduced?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (e): University Grants Commission (UGC) provides funds to Universities and Colleges which have been declared fit to receive grants under Section 12B of the UGC Act, 1956. Only those Universities and Colleges recognized under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act are eligible to be declared fit to receive grants. Therefore, the question of fraudulent Universities or Colleges receiving grants from UGC does not arise. The UGC has so far identified 21 self styled fake Universities or Institutions which are in existence in different parts of the country in contravention of the UGC Act, 1956.

So far as Central Board of Secondary Education is concerned, they have information about 05 fake Boards in the country. CBSE has not provided any grant or aid to any of these fake Boards. As far as Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan is concerned, there is no system of providing grant-in-aid to institutions which are either not Government or Government aided from the SSA programmes.

(f) to (h): A legislative proposal to prohibit and punish adoption of unfair practices, including the making of fake claims of being recognized, when it is not so recognized by technical and medical educational institutions and Universities is proposed to be introduced as a bill in the Parliament.